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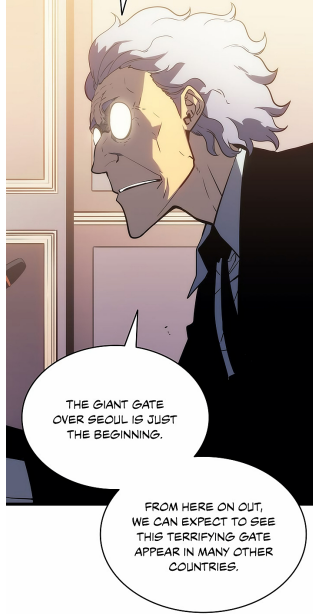
WE ARE REPORTING TO YOU
LIVE FROM SEOUL, SOUTH
KOREA. ABOVE ME IS A GATE
THAT HAS COVERED THE
SKIES ABOVE THE CITY...

THE GATE YOU ARE SEEING
RIGHT NOW IS THE LARGEST
ONE SINCE THE DAWN OF
MAGIC BEASTS...

AS YOU CAN SEE, MANY
RESIDENTS OF THE CITY HAVE
COME OUTSIDE TO WITNESS THIS
PHENOMENON. NONE OF THEM
LOOK TOO HAPPY...

...THIS IS NICK
POWELL FROM BBN
NEWS, SIGNING OFF.

I RECENTLY BEGAN
WARNING PEOPLE ABOUT
THE LARGE VOLUMES OF
MANA ACCUMULATING
IN THE SKIES.



PROFESSOR,
YOU'VE BEEN RESEARCHING
GATES AND BEASTS FOR
QUITE SOME TIME NOW.

WHAT DO YOU
SUPPOSE IS THE WISEST
WAY TO HANDLE THIS
SITUATION?



...

WE MUST PRAY.

**WE MUST PRAY THAT
THIS UNPRECEDENTED
EVENT DOESN'T END
IN TRAGEDY.**





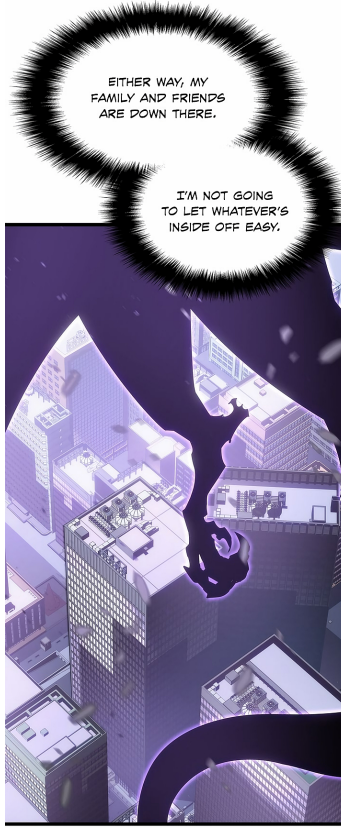
THAT'S WEIRD.
I CAN'T ENTER
THE GATE.

IT'S LIKE I'M
BLOCKED OFF
BY SOME SORT
OF WALL...

IF IT WERE AN
ORDINARY WALL,
I WOULD'VE JUST
BROKEN IT
DOWN...

A GATE THAT
CAN'T BE ENTERED
BY AN AWAKENED
BEING, HUH...?

I WONDER IF
THE BEASTS INSIDE ARE
DIFFERENT FROM THE ONES
I'VE ENCOUNTERED
SO FAR.







IT'S BEEN THREE HOURS SINCE THIS ENORMOUS GATE APPEARED.

WHAT ARE THE ODDS OF ALL THE GATES AROUND THE WORLD DISAPPEARING AT THE SAME TIME?



...THIS ISN'T JUST A COINCIDENCE.

OUR PLAN IS TO START EVACUATING THE CIVILIANS LOCATED NEAR THE GATE.

WE ARE GOING TO PROCEED WITH A STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH TO MITIGATE CHAOS.



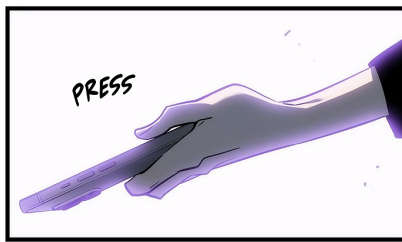
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MR. SUNG? WHAT IS YOUR PLAN?

...THOUGH WE DON'T
KNOW WHAT TOMORROW
HOLDS,



SOMEONE
HAS TO PLANT THE
APPLE TREE.

PRESS

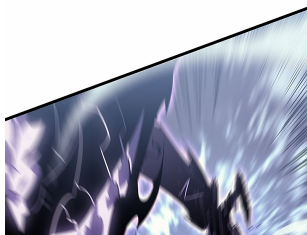




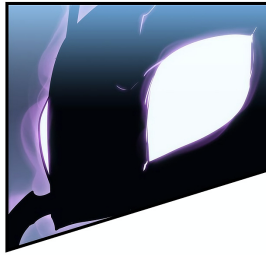
HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION
GYMNASIUM



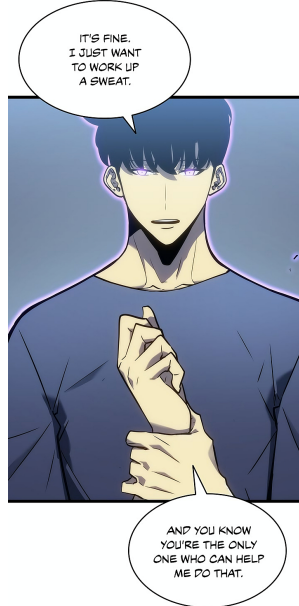






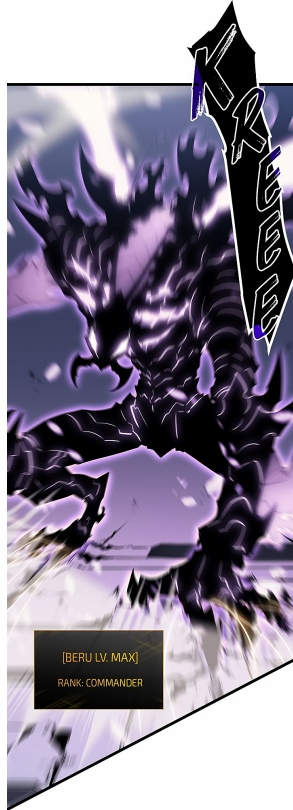




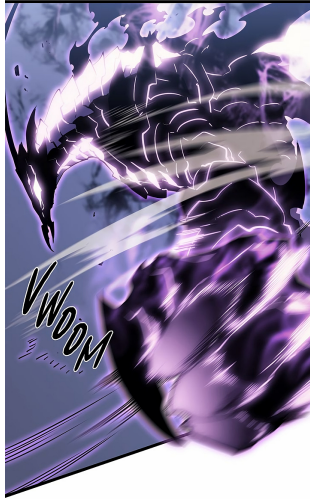


ANYWAY,
LET'S GET
STARTED.









YOU'RE
PRETTY STRONG,
NOW THAT YOU'RE
A COMMANDER.

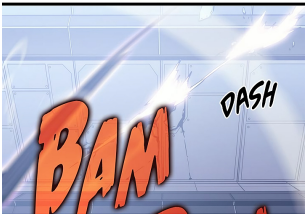


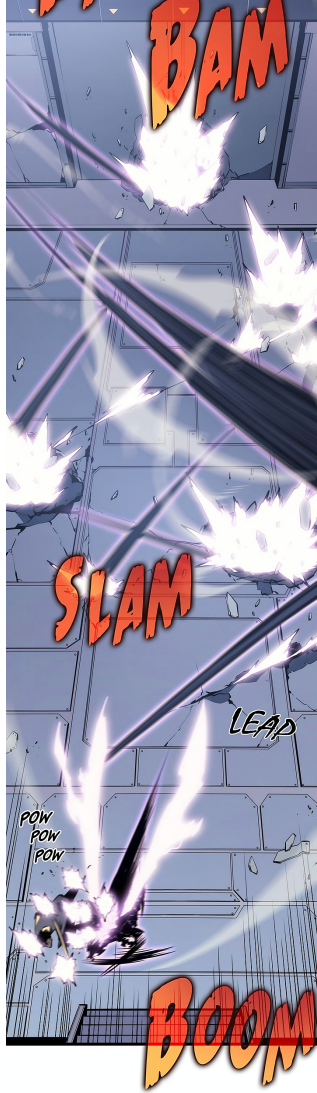


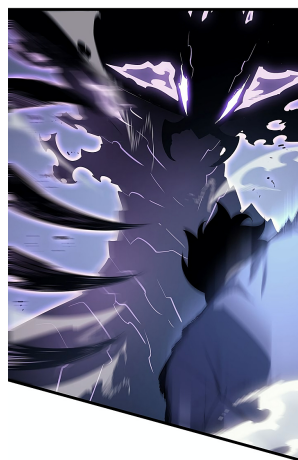
ONCE IGRIIS
AND GREED BECOME
GENERALS, THEY'LL
CATCH UP TO YOU IN
NO TIME.

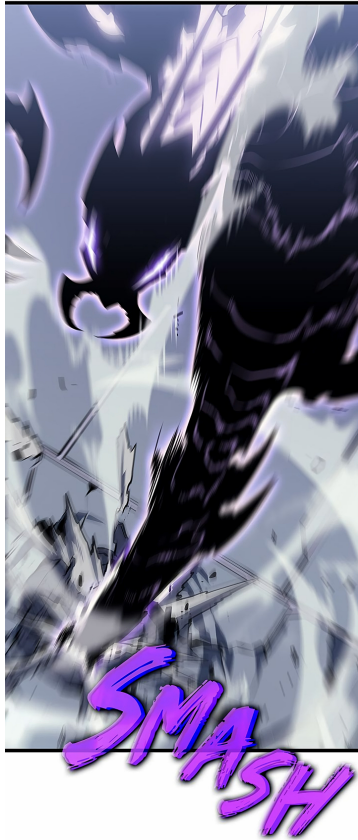


SO IF YOU
DON'T WANT YOUR
POSITION TAKEN AWAY,
YOU'D BETTER TRY
HARDER.



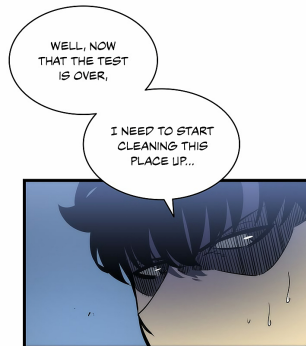
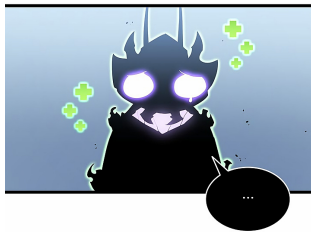


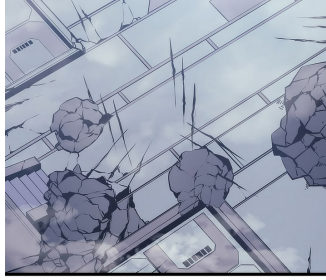














ARE YOU
PLANNING TO STAY,
MR. ANDRE?

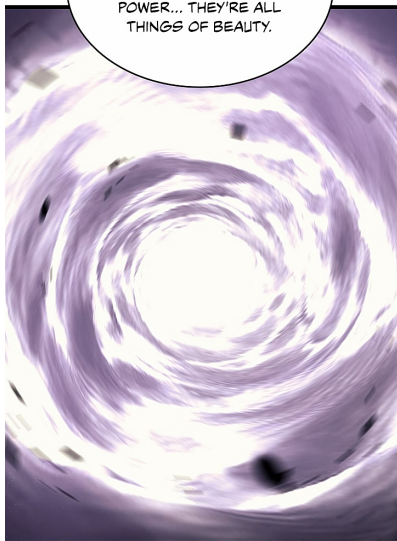
HOW COULD
I LEAVE BEHIND
SOMETHING SO BIG
AND BEAUTIFUL?



IT CERTAINLY
IS BIG, BUT...
"BEAUTIFUL"?

ALL THINGS
THAT MAKE YOUR
HEART FLUTTER
ARE BEAUTIFUL.

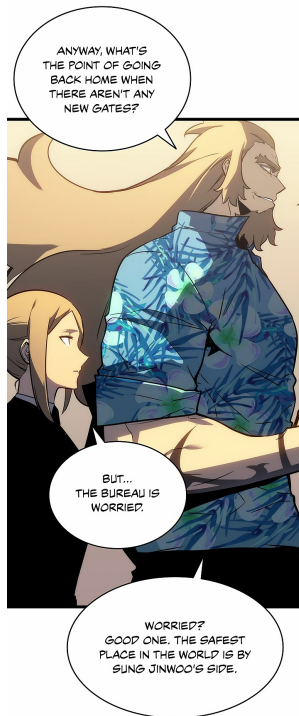
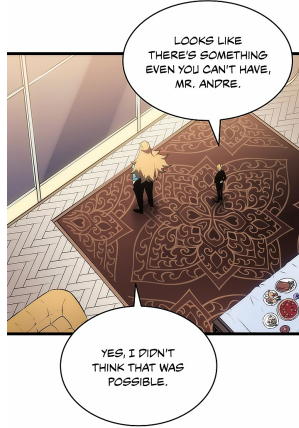
A FIRE-BREATHING
DRAGON, THAT MASSIVE
GATE, AND SUNG JINWOO'S
POWER... THEY'RE ALL
THINGS OF BEAUTY.



WHICH IS
WHY I WANTED
EVERYTHING...



...THAT WAS
CONSIDERED
BEAUTIFUL FOR
MYSELF.





THAT'S WHY
I WANT TO WITNESS
EVERYTHING WITH MY
OWN TWO EYES.



*I WANT TO SEE
IF THIS WILL BE THE
END OF MANKIND, OR
THE START OF A NEW
BEGINNING.*

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